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June 17, 1996

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In addition, would you please identify the documents to which you refer in drafting your response.

This request should be interpreted in its broadest reasonable sense. To the extent that you are not certain whether certain information comes under the scope of this request, please let us know and we can advise you whether we seek to include it. Should this request impose an unreasonable burden on you that we may have not anticipated, please advise us so that we can work with you to modify or amend the request accordingly.



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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell

Executive Director

Enclosure



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CIA SPECIAL COLLECTIONS RELEASE IN FULL Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence Department of the Army

I ENORANDUM FOR:

Attention: Plans and Operations Branch

FROM:

Interagency Source Register

SUBJECT:

Burn Notice - Hans Dieter KANTHSKI

- 1. Subject individual is suspected of being a mentally disturbed intelligence nuisance. It is requested that this office be furnished any information your office can make available which might support or deny this suspicion, plus any known biographical information not included in the attached report.
- 2. The attached information concerning Subject is forwarded for purposes of identification.
- 3. Reply by 1 July 1966 would be appreciated. Regative reply may be telephoned using the correspondence file number of this memorandum for reference.

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Fred Wickham

DO Focal Point for JFK Board Requests

FROM:

John F. Pereira

Chief, Historical Review Group

SUBJECT:

JFK Board Request No. CIA-10 Interagency Source Register

1. Attached is request No. CIA-10, dated June 17, 1996 from the Assassination Records Review Board. The request is for information regarding the "Interagency Source Register", which is cited in an attached document.

2. Please advise how you would like us to respond to this request.

John F. Pereira

Attachments

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which will be processed as an assassination record. Gunn will then determine whether there are any additional portions of the history that should be added to the Blakey version. CIA will compile the "Blakey version" as soon as possible and Gunn will promptly thereafter review the documents.

Index. CIA has made an index available to Review Board staff and the staff has identified certain histories that may be appropriate for review. CIA will make available those histories that are of obvious relevance, and will raise with Review Board staff any questions regarding the requests where the basis for the request is unclear. CIA will begin to make histories available on a rolling basis. Review Board has agreed to review histories promptly once they are made available. Although it was not discussed at our meeting, we would very much appreciate it if you would, within the next two weeks, identify which histories you are prepared to make available and those that CIA believes should be subject to further discussions.

Cram's multi-volume counterintelligence history. Although Cram's history was not specifically discussed at our meeting, the Review Board staff understands that the history has been located and the Review Board staff awaits its being made available.

CIA-8 (Intelligence community staff)

CIA will provide a report to the Review Board staff within two weeks.

CIA-9 (Publications and analytical materials)

The Review Board staff provided CIA with a list of certain publications as they appear in an LBJ Library finding aid. CIA will report back on recommended action to the Review Board promptly.

CIA-10 (Interagency source register)

CIA has compiled information responsive to the request. CIA will make available within two weeks.

CIA-11 (Duran's original statement)

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Other Histories. No response has been received to our agreement that CIA identify within two weeks the histories that can be made available and those that should be subject to further discussions.

CIA-8 (Intelligence community staff)

CIA had promised to provide a report to the Review Board within two weeks. Nothing has been made available.

CIA-9 (Publications and analytical materials)

We have received no materials responsive to this request. Additionally, no response has be received from CIA regarding the list of publications that are identified in an LBJ Library finding aid that the Review Board staff provided.

CIA-10 (Interagency source register)

CIA has not yet made available the records that it had agreed to provide within two weeks. (we so swald on)

CIA-11 (Duran's original statement)

CIA has agreed to make some further attempts to locate Duran's original statement.

CIA-12 (JMWAVE materials)

CIA has agreed to make materials available on a rolling basis.

Informal requests:

Spas Rankin. CIA has made the Spas Rankin file available to the Review Board. Review Board staff research continues. When research is complete, staff will, discuss issues with CIA. It is the collection publical wanted IN 23738. CIA is searching for cable number IN 23738 (7 July 1962). - copy sent

Marilyn Murrett. CIA has made the Marilyn Murrett file available to the Review Board. Review Board staff research continues. When research is complete, staff

20 February 1997

Mr. T. Jeremy Gunn General Counsel Assassination Records Review Board 600 E Street, NW Washington, D. C. 20530

Re: (U) ARRB Request for Additional Information and Records No. CIA-10 (Interagency Source Register)

Dear Jeremy:

- (U) This is in response to Mr. David Marwell's letter of 17 June 1996 to Mr. John Pereira, in which he asked a number of questions concerning the "Interagency Source Register"; specifically,
 - a. What is the function of the register?
 - b. When did it begin?
 - c. What are the purposes of the register?
 - d. Which entity or entities are responsible for operating the register?
 - e. Which entity or entities in the intelligence community have made use of it?
 - f. To the extent it fell into disuse during the period 1958-1965, what, if any, system replaced it?
- (C) Please find enclosed for your review DO Instruction 50-46 entitled, "The Interagency Source Register." This three-page instruction fully answers questions a, c, and d above. With respect to question e, at this time I know of no way of determining exactly which entities within the intelligence community made use of the register. It can be assumed that all such agencies knew about it and used it to some extent. With respect to b and f, we will continue to search for data which will provide answers. We request that the enclosure be returned when the Staff completes its deliberations on this issue.

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(U) If you have any questions in this regard, please call me at 613-1825.

Sincerely,

J. Barry Harrelson

Enclosure:
As stated

DCI/CSI/HRG:JBH/GMB/bkh (20 Feb 97) Distribution:

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Central Intelligence Agency



13 August 1998

Ms. Laura Denk, Esquire Executive Director Assassination Records Review Board 600 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Ms. Denk:

Reference: (C) ARRB Request No. CIA-10, for information on the Interagency Source Register

- (U) The following is responsive to referent request.
- (C) The Interagency Source Register (ISR) is simply a device whereby agencies within the intelligence community which recruit or deal with sources of foreign positive intelligence outside the United States try to keep from bumping into each other in the pursuit of such information. It is for the further purpose of ensuring a source cannot gain an unwarranted advantage by dealing with more than one agency. Each agency is responsible for registering an individual as a source with the ISR before using the individual.
- (C) The ISR was established in 1957 by the Intelligence Advisory Committee, predecessor to the U.S. Intelligence Board. The ISR was not used extensively during the years 1958-1965 and we know of no system or procedure which took its place.
- (C) The first ISR regulations were in the form of basic procedures each agency was to follow, procedures which have gone through a number of reiterations. ARRB staff members have reviewed the classified, current written instruction governing the existence and use of the ISR.

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Ms. Laura Denk, Esquire

(U) I believe that this information is fully responsive to your request on the ISR and accordingly, completes our work on CIA-10.

Sincerely,

J. Barry Harrelson